

# City of Goodyear INFOCUS

*Connecting You with Your City*

## Fun <sup>on</sup> the 4th

**Star Spangled 4th  
Wednesday, July 4, from 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Goodyear Community Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd.**

Join us at this free event for great live music from our headliner, "Sistah Blue" with special guests "Western Electric" and "The Gold Tones."

The food court will have a wonderful array of vendors who will be serving hot dogs, fry bread, tamales, barbeque, snow cones and ice cream. There will also be a beer garden (ID required) with plenty of shaded seating and tables for you to enjoy. The Kid's Zone will provide summertime fun with water rides and bouncers. The skies over Goodyear light up at 9 p.m. with the APS Fireworks Spectacular, set to popular and patriotic music.

Free parking and shuttles available from Estrella Mountain Community College, at Thomas and Dysart roads. More parking will be at St. Thomas Aquinas Church (Thomas and Litchfield roads) and at the northwest corner of Litchfield Rd. and Avalon Drive. Limited handicapped parking will be available at the park. [a](#)



### Look at What's Inside



Council Sworn In



Stop Leaks and Save



Police and Fire Awards



New Sanitation Rates

# Highlights of City Council Inauguration 2007



Three councilmembers were sworn into office on June 11 at the Hampton Inn. All had been elected to the Goodyear City Council in the March 2007 primary election. City Clerk Dee Cockrum swore in all of the councilmembers.

### Antoniak Named Vice Mayor

**Councilmember Rob Antoniak was not only sworn in on June 11 for his second four-year term, but was also appointed by the City Council to a two-year term as Vice Mayor.**

Antoniak began his speech by highlighting the dramatic changes that have occurred in Goodyear during the four short years he's been in office, including population growth, the increase in number of fire stations, police officers, registered voters and the amount of retail, as well as the growth of the city's land mass.

The new Vice Mayor pointed out that during his four years on the City Council "we have actively engaged the public in setting policy and initiated more citizen committees, communicated better and utilized technology with meetings live on the internet. Because of citizen engagement, Mayor and Council have a better understanding of what citizens want from Police and Water Resources to City Center and trash."

He lauded the citizens for diverting 30% of their trash to recycling after only six short months in the program. He called for development to occur in a "responsible and sustainable manner" and, as a long-distance commuter himself, hailed "employment close to home and quality employers as vital to our success."

In the upcoming four years, Vice Mayor Antoniak promises: "to judge items on their merits, ensure his decisions benefit Goodyear, and listen to citizens."



### Incumbent Sousa Loves Goodyear

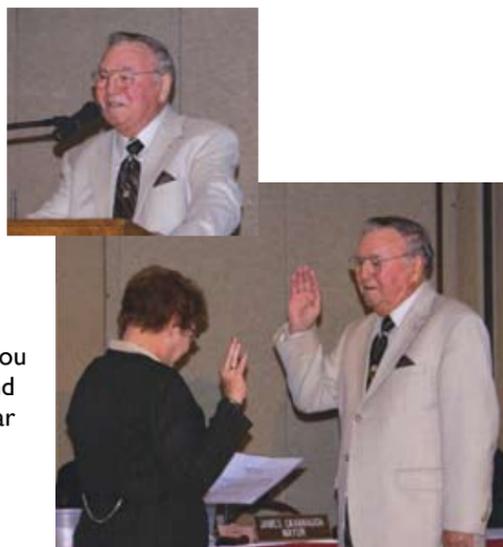
**Councilmember Dick Sousa was sworn in for his third four-year term of office. He began on Council in 1999.**

In his speech, Councilmember Sousa marveled at what a ride it's been during his eight years on Council, but thinks the horizon looks even brighter. He named the many commercial developments that are opening in Goodyear in the next couple years that are "making Goodyear the centerpiece of the West Valley."

He lauded that "large employers are knocking on our doors" and noted that "our City is poised to be the employment center of the West Valley." The Councilmember credited our successful pursuit of Spring Training and private universities as catalysts for these economic accomplishments and for helping us gain national recognition.

Councilmember Sousa praised the City staff as the "best workforce in the state," called for moving ahead on City Center, lauded the annexation of Mobile and exhibited his pride at the City's sound financial condition.

He wrapped up by saying, "I love Goodyear and I hope you do, too. It's a city with a proud past, a vibrant future and all of us are 'feeling the connection' because Goodyear is where we live."



### Newcomer Osborne Feels Honored



**Joanne Osborne was sworn in for her first four-year term on the City Council. Councilmember Osborne had previously been appointed to fill a vacancy on the City Council and had served for three months prior to her inauguration. She was also Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission which she had served on for more than six years. Osborne's husband Ken held the Bible during her swearing-in.**

Newcomer Osborne says "This is a very important job and I take it seriously and will do my best." She says she's honored to be on the Council and that "her vision is fairly simple." She wants to see the "full spectrum – the best of everything." She wants to see top corporate headquarters with CEO's who need upscale housing and restaurants and shops that cater to all tastes and budgets. Councilmember Osborne wants Goodyear to have affordable, workforce housing which she notes "doesn't have to be ugly."



As a teen leader for the YMCA, she believes strongly in youth and wants the City to form a Youth Commission. Having trained for marathons, she challenged the City to take a proactive approach toward fitness and encouraging its citizens to be healthy. Councilmember Osborne said she is very passionate about the preservation of the deserts and mountains. As a fourth generation Arizona native, she said, "I have a lot of desert dirt in my lungs and I'd like to see our mountains preserved."

## Sanitation Rates Increasing in July

Goodyear residents will find their July sanitation bills slightly higher because the monthly rate is going up 2.5 percent to \$22.03 per month. The monthly cost for an additional refuse container has also increased to \$6.09 from the current rate of \$5.97.

When the new sanitation program was adopted on 6/26/06, it allowed the monthly rates to be adjusted annually for inflation effective July 1st each year based on the previous May-April last 12 months Consumer Price Index.

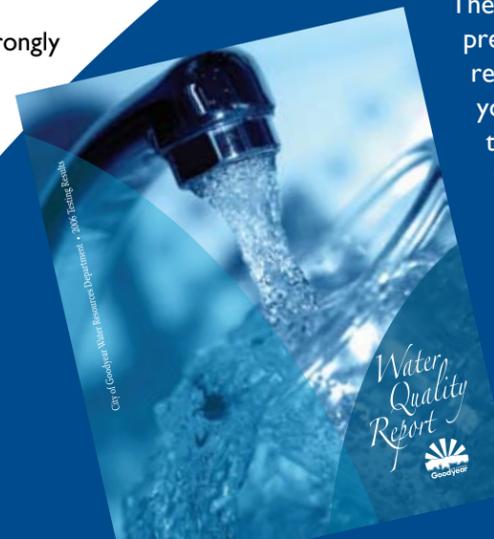
Because Sanitation collects a fee for its services it is considered an "enterprise fund" and is supposed to be financially self-supportive. Because Goodyear had not applied a price increase for seven years prior to the implementation of the new sanitation program last fall, the monthly fees had not been covering the cost of the service. As a result, the City's General Fund (which is meant to cover non-fee based services, such as police, fire and park maintenance) had been subsidizing the sanitation operation for several years until the current \$21.50 fee was put in place.



Like your own household expenses, costs are rising for the Sanitation Department as well. The rate increase will address the rapidly rising costs of fuel, prices, and the steel and plastic used in the manufacturing of equipment and containers. These costs and other inflators associated with the Consumer Price Index must be covered each year by the fees.

## Continuing Our Commitment to Water Quality

The City of Goodyear is proud to present its annual water quality report. This edition, coming to your mail box, covers all water testing completed from January 1 through December 31, 2006. Goodyear Water Resources Department is dedicated to producing and providing quality drinking water that meets or exceeds all regulatory requirements.



## A Monumental Dedication in Estrella

Representing the most dramatic community entry in the Valley, a 50-foot interactive spiral stone tower with 3,000 fiber optic lights was unveiled by Newland Communities at Estrella on May 30.

Comprised of 12,500 square feet of hand-stacked Corona stone, rusted steel panels, a circular observation deck, and a rusted steel sail, the “Star Tower” will serve as a celestial observatory and community trail destination in Estrella.

Commemorating the redefined Estrella, the new entry portal also includes desert waterways with cascading waterfalls, colorful indigenous vegetation, shade structures and an observation plaza with amphitheater seating, offering a serene place for meditation and enjoying nature. A climb to the top will give one panoramic views of the Sierra Estrella Mountains, downtown Phoenix, and the vast natural desert landscape. What a wonderful new landmark for our city! 🌵



Greg Bielli, President of the Mountain Region for Newland Communities, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Councilmembers Joanne Osborne and Frank Cavalier, and Dr. Sky unveil the new Star Tower entry monument in Estrella.

### Stop Water Leaks and Save Money

The City of Goodyear Water Resources Department is offering a free Leak Detection Kit to all Goodyear residents to promote water conservation and to save residents money. The kit includes a flow meter bag that measures the water flow from your showerhead, a drip gauge to help you determine how many gallons per day of water is wasted because of leaks, a unique ruler that illustrates how much water your toilet uses per flush, and a guide to making your home “water tight” and “waste free.” There is a limited supply, so they will be distributed on a first come, first served basis by calling 623-932-3010.

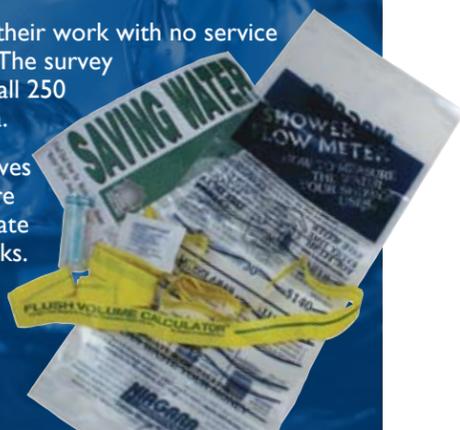
To make sure the City is not wasting water, Water Resources has contracted with HD Utility Services to perform a leak detection survey of City-owned water mains and service connections in the City’s water service area south of I-10.

The City is taking a proactive approach to conserving water by identifying and making repairs to undetected leaks and by ensuring the water delivery system provides reliable, safe drinking water in an efficient and cost effective manner.

Technicians from HD Utility Services are able to perform their work with no service interruption and do not need to access residents’ homes. The survey will be conducted through August 15 and will incorporate all 250 miles of existing water mains in the Goodyear service area.

In addition to checking the majority of the 5,890 water valves in the City, HD Utility Services will also survey all 2,273 fire hydrant connections. The technicians will be able to calculate water loss, enabling the City’s repair crew to prioritize leaks.

For more information, call Goodyear Water Operations Superintendent Jerry Postema at 623-932-3010. 🌵



## From the Mayor Welcome, Mobile Residents

On April 25th, about 100 residents of Mobile joined our city as citizens of Goodyear when we annexed 67 square miles south of Estrella, including 10,000 acres which Montage Holdings is developing into the master-planned community of Amaranth.

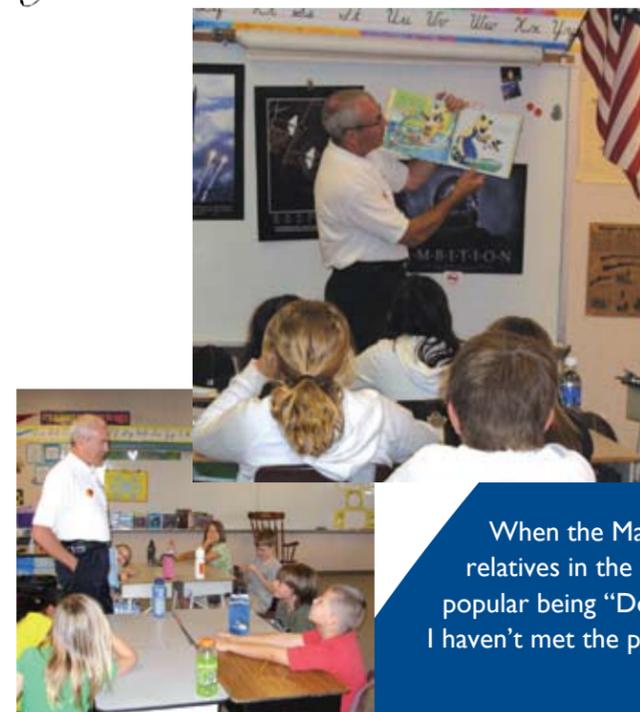
To our new residents, the City Council and I and the City employees would like to say,

**“Welcome to Goodyear. The City Council and City employees look forward to serving you.”**

As new residents of Goodyear, our friends will receive a copy of Goodyear’s Newcomers Guide, a Frequently Called Phone Numbers brochure, and past copies of this INFOCUS newsletter. Copies of all future INFOCUS newsletters will be mailed every month to keep everyone informed of what is happening in their new city. 🌵



Mayor James Cavanaugh



## City Council to Choose New City Manager

This month, the City Council accepted the notice of retirement from our city manager of 18 years, Stephen Cleveland. His many years of service made him a highly respected professional throughout the Valley. We want to express our appreciation for his dedicated service to the City of Goodyear.

Our Deputy City Manager Brian Dalke will be the Interim City Manager. Brian is a 13-year veteran. We are confident in his abilities to ensure our citizens receive the highest quality services. We also wish to express our appreciation for his willingness to serve the City in this capacity.

The City Council started the selection process for a permanent City Manager. The process will be highly competitive. We have many new and dynamic ventures on our horizon, and our Council is committed to finding an inspiring and highly qualified manager who can take our city into the promising future that we have envisioned. 🌵

### School Days for the Mayor

“One of the things I enjoy most about being Mayor is being invited into schools to visit with the youngsters,” says Mayor Jim Cavanaugh. In May, Cavanaugh went to Estrella Elementary School to read to four classes of third and fourth graders. These students were participating in a reading program known as D.E.A.R. – Drop Everything and Read. The Mayor read the book *Skippyjon Jones*, a fun tale about a Siamese cat who wants to be a Chihuahua.

When the Mayor spoke with the children afterwards, many told him about relatives in the military. The kids also had a chance to ask questions, the most popular being “Do you know the president and the governor?” Answer – “No, I haven’t met the president, and yes, I have met the governor several times.” 🌵



## Goodyear Police and Fire Departments Host Awards Ceremony

The Goodyear Police and Fire departments held the second annual awards ceremony to celebrate and acknowledge the many achievements of individuals in both departments over the past year. Mayor Cavanaugh, City officials, staff and family members attended the occasion to honor the service of these employees and volunteers who are committed to the safety and protection of the public.

### Police Department Awards

#### Medal of Valor

Sergeant Jason Seabright and Officer Curtis Mott

#### Meritorious Service Award

Sergeant Deron Miller and Officers Tony Addison, Jason De Haan, Ryan Konings, Mark Moncada and Chad Waltz

#### Lifesaving Award

Sergeant Jason Seabright and Officers Tony Addison, Richard Beck, James Dougal, Pete Gutierrez and Peter Tomasovitch

#### Distinguished Service Award

Officer Jamie Benker and Telecommunications Manager Chris Nadeau

#### Unit Citation Award

The Telecommunications Division and the 70 Squad

#### Physical Fitness Award

Sergeants Jeff Mercy, Deron Miller and Jason Seabright; Officers Gene Hindman, Justin Hughes and Jason Mattie; Fire Department Captain Pat Doyle

#### Military Service Awards

United States Army: Detectives Latroy Campbell and Jeff Vallandingham; Officers Troy Castillo, Scott Daniel, Ricky Melrose and Mike Miller; Telecommunications Manager Chris Nadeau

United States Air Force: Officers Dave Bryant, Bengt Erickson, Mark Moncada, Angela Swan and Eric Webster; Telecommunications Operator Dana Giebelman

United States Navy: Officers Tony Addison, Tom Iverson, Joe Pacello, Bill Ryan and Chad Waltz

United States Marine Corps: Officer Richard Beck

#### Citizen's Plaque

Jeremy Chandler and Paul De Freitas

#### Volunteer of the Year Award

Mike Babya

### Fire Department Awards

#### Individual Commendations

Fire Department Employee of the Year Captain Russ Braden; Captains Darrin Green and Steve Mann; Firefighter Jeff Daniels

#### Military Service Ribbon

United States Air Force: Firefighter Liam Tierney

United States Navy: Firefighter Kenneth Heng

United States Marine Corps: Firefighter Anthony Martin

#### Honor Guard Service Ribbon

Firefighters Hakim Benmoussa and John Styke

#### Skookum Award

Fire Captain Nick Lyons and Police Officer Jason Mattie were recognized for their work in organizing the first annual Goodyear Police Department versus Goodyear Fire Department (Guns versus Hoses) Charity Football Game. 🏈



Officer Jamie Benker and Police Chief Mark Brown



Fire Captain Darrin Green and Fire Chief Mark Gaillard



## Letter from England Compliments Goodyear Police

*We want to share with you this letter from Detective Constable Paul Baker, Essex Police, England, sent to the Mayor and Council.*

I am a Detective Officer, with 28 years service, dealing with Counter Terrorism issues within the County of Essex England.

I visited Goodyear in 2001 and had the pleasure of meeting Sgt. Jeff Mercy of Goodyear Police, and his family. We struck up a friendship at this time and continued to maintain links. I have also had the pleasure of showing Jeff and his wife a rather cold and wet England.

I can't even begin to express my sincere appreciation for the kindness and hospitality that Sgt. Jeff Mercy and members of Goodyear Police Force showed me. I visited with officers and had the pleasure and honour of speaking with Chief Mark Brown, who without doubt, is somebody that exudes integrity and professionalism.

Whilst visiting Goodyear, I was able to witness Goodyear Police deal with an incident, in relation to a burglary which resulted in two youths barricading themselves within the premises they had broken into.

Jeff had taken the day off to kindly show me around your city. Whilst out, Jeff received a call regarding this incident from other members of his SWAT team. Without a moments hesitation, Jeff coordinated his SWAT team, returned home, changed, and responded to the incident. I was fortunate enough to witness all the officers attending this incident and to witness as it was being dealt with, which I can say was in a highly professional and expedient manner, with public safety being placed above all other objectives.

Whilst in Goodyear I was also given the opportunity by Jeff's father, to speak with your volunteer border air patrol regarding similar issues that impact within the UK and Arizona with regards to facilitation of illegal immigration and terrorism. I was totally impressed as to the commitment shown by your volunteer patrol. Your community is fortunate that your citizens give their free time to protect your country in this way.

The citizens of Goodyear have a Police Force in which they can be proud. Without doubt, all the officers I had the pleasure to meet are professional, have integrity, and are dedicated to their role in protecting the citizens and visitors to Goodyear.

I am looking forward to my next trip to Goodyear.

Yours sincerely,  
Detective Constable Paul Baker  
Essex Police 🏈

## Summer Fun in the Park

Kick back and enjoy the big screen at **Movies in the Park** or laugh it up at the **Dry Heat Comedy Night Concert**. All movies and comedy concerts are free to the public and are held at Goodyear Community Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd., just north of Thomas Road. Please bring chairs or blankets for your comfort. You may bring food and beverages (no glass please) or purchase from our vendor. For more information, call 623-882-7534 or visit [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov).

### Movies in the Park

July 13 at 8 p.m.

#### "Happy Feet"

Enjoy a snow cone and play like a penguin in the snow play area.

August 24 at 7:30 p.m.

#### "How to Eat Fried Worms"

See how the new kid deals with the school bully.

### Dry Heat Comedy Night

August 11 at 8 p.m.

**Rick Ramos** with special guest **Doc** 🎤



## Foothills Community Park Groundbreaking

A groundbreaking ceremony for the new community park in Estrella will be held Monday, July 2 at 9 a.m.

The park is located just north of Estrella Foothills High School at 13033 S. Estrella Parkway. 🏈

## Free Swim Days

Visit the YMCA, at Litchfield and Thomas roads, July 14 and August 18, noon to 6 p.m. for free swim days for all Goodyear residents. 🏈





## Development and Use Agreements Make Spring Training Official

The negotiations related to the Goodyear Sports and Recreation Campus have been completed. The recent adoption of these agreements by the Goodyear City Council makes the Spring Training ballpark, its surrounding development and the practice field complex a true reality.

The ballpark will have 8,000-plus fixed seats and 2,000 grass-berm seats. The ballpark and many of its practice fields will be available for the City's use during the off-season for events such as fantasy camps, movie nights, sports tournaments, Star-Spangled 4th of July, Holly Jolly Festival, soccer and Little League.

Goodyear Baseball, LLC is the development manager for the Goodyear Spring Training Complex with the responsibility of managing the design and construction of the facilities. The practice fields and Cleveland Indians clubhouse will be completed in August 2008, and the ballpark by February 2009.

Approval of the Sports Facilities Use Agreement with the Cleveland Indians solidifies the relationship with the team. They continue to be excellent partners in this project. Key points of the Use Agreement with the Indians include:

1. **Term** – Beginning in 2009, the Cleveland Indians will hold a minimum of 14 Spring Training games per season for a term of 20 full seasons, with two optional five-year extensions;
2. **Ownership** – The facility is owned by the City of Goodyear;
3. **Usage** –
  - a. Indians retain exclusive use of their clubhouse, two major league practice fields, agility field, batting cages and tunnels, pitching mounds, observation tower and related parking lot year-round;
  - b. City controls all use of the four minor league practice fields at the south end of the complex and related parking lot outside of Spring Training season.

The estimated cost of the ballpark, training facility and land is \$74,750,000. The Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority (AZSTA) will reimburse 50 percent of the project cost.

The City will place \$150,000 per year in the Capital Improvement fund for anticipated replacements and improvements to keep the facility in first-class condition once it is operational. Part of these funds will come from a ticket surcharge the City will place on the sale of each ticket, the Indians annual rental of \$100,000 and other shared revenues. Other City net revenue expected is 50% of concessions, 50% of novelty sales and 50% of program sales, as well as 20% of the gate receipts, 50% of the advertising receipts and 50% of the parking receipts.

### Practice Field Complex

#### LEGEND

- A. Clubhouse
- B. Covered Batting Tunnels - Major League (8 Total)
- C. Gang Mounds - Major League (5 Total)
- D. Half Practice Field
- E. Agility Field - Major League 38,000 Sq. Ft.
- F. Parking - Major League Players, Family, Staff & Media (85 Spaces Total)
- G. Drop-Off/Entry - Major League
- H. Parking - Minor League Players, Staff (115 Spaces Total)
- I. Drop-Off/Entry - Minor League
- J. Open-Air Batting Tunnels - Minor League (8 Total)
- K. Gang Mounds - Minor League (12 Total)
- L. Observation Tower
- M. Maintenance
- N. Future Expansion
- O. Fan Access Walk to Major League Fields
- P. Public Access Walk to Minor League Fields



## Want to Help in an Emergency? Join CERT!

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training teaches skills that people can use to safely help their neighbors during a disaster while waiting for emergency responders such as Police, Fire Department or Public Works. CERT is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations. Through training, citizens can manage utilities and put out small fires; search for and rescue victims safely; and organize themselves and spontaneous volunteers to be effective. They will also be trained in life saving skills with emphasis on decision making, rescuer safety, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number.



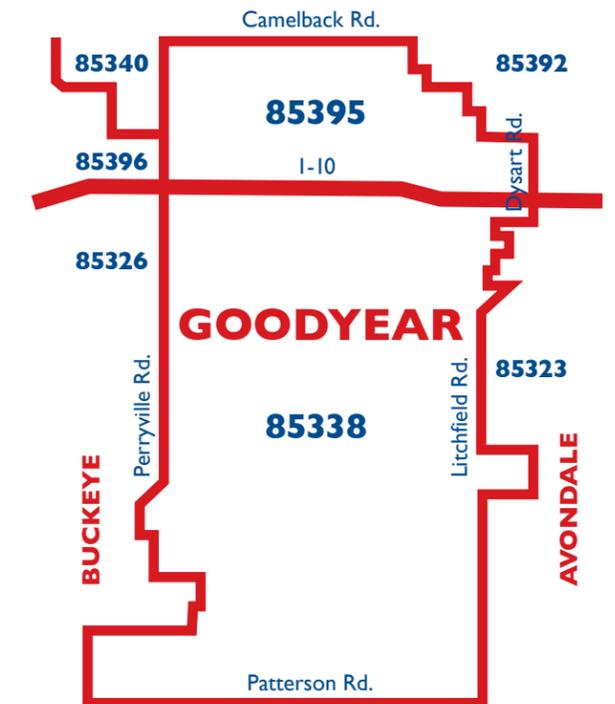
CERT citizen trainees learn how to respond to disasters with some instruction from the Goodyear Fire Department.



CERT classes are being offered to Goodyear residents over 18 years of age. To register for the September session or for more information, please contact Linda Dillard, Goodyear Community Advocate, at 623-882-7800 or LDillard@goodyearaz.gov.

## New Zip Codes in Goodyear

The U.S. Postal Service is instituting new zip codes in Goodyear as of July 1, 2007. The new zip code for all addresses north of I-10 is 85395. All addresses south of I-10 remain 85338. Your current zip code will remain valid until July 1, 2008 to give you time to change address labels, business cards and so on.



## A Big Thank You to Survey Respondents

Behavior Research, the company we contracted to do our bi-annual Citizen Survey for 2007, told us that they were delighted with the excellent response they received when calling Goodyear residents this past month.

If you were one of the 400 respondents called, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you very much for completing an interview. We realize all of you are very busy, so we really appreciate your taking 15 to 20 minutes of your time to speak with the interviewers.

It is very important that City officials know what you think of the quality of our current services, and what other services, programs and facilities you feel are needed. Information gained from these surveys frequently helps guide future City policies. Surveys are a way for us to hear from the silent majority.

Stay tuned for results in a future issue of INFOCUS.

## Mural *Becomes* Community Joint Venture

When Fire Chief Mark Gaillard expressed interest in having a mural painted by kids inside the new Fire Administrative Office, it became quite a joint venture! After building owners Dick and Eric Cornwell graciously agreed to allow the mural to be painted on the wall of their building, Lili Schuett, Goodyear Community Services Manager, contacted Bernadette Mills at the West Valley Arts Council (WVAC). Mills found artist Bryan Kilgore and arranged for students from Estrella High School to do the project. The Chief liked Bryan's work, so it was full steam ahead. The \$2,000 project cost was split between the Community Services Department and the Fire Department. WVAC coordinated the mural from start to finish at no cost to the city.

The colorful mural, done in animated cartoon style, depicts a fire scene with a burning building, on-lookers pointing and firemen rushing to the scene. Kilgore drew the picture and the students painted it.



Pictured from left to right, Estrella High School students Andrea Valenzuela, Diana Zozaya, German Barreras, teacher Margaret Lieu, artist Bryan Kilgore, and student Georgette Chaco



## Getting Acquainted Over Pancakes In Mobile



What better way to start out a morning with new neighbors than with hot coffee, orange juice, flapjacks, maple syrup and bacon? That's how 30 of our newest residents in Mobile, including School Superintendent Kit Wood and members of the school board, started out their day on June 2. Fire Battalion Chief Jeff Shiple and other members of the Fire Department servicing Mobile area were flipping pancakes at a get-together for the area residents, members of Goodyear's City Council and City staff, and representatives of Montage Holdings, the area's developer.

Goodyear Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak, Councilmembers Dick Sousa and Brenda Holland and Deputy City Manager Jim Nichols were very early risers who made the trip to Mobile to welcome our newest residents.

## Holiday Schedule

**Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4**

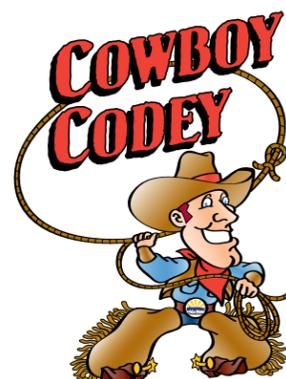
**City Offices Closed**

**Garbage, Recycling and Bulk Trash Collection:**

Following the holiday, pickup that week for garbage, recycling and bulk trash will switch to the day after your normal scheduled pickup day.



The Skatepark will be closed July 4 for the Star Spangled 4th event at Community Park.



*Cowboy Codey Sez:*  
**Keep the Little Ones Safe this Summer**

Cowboy Codey sez remind your kids to practice safety. School is out and this means more children are home, sometimes without their parents. Please remember to tell your kids not to open the door for strangers when there are no adults home. This includes opening the door for people dressed as City employees.

Leave detailed instructions for your child in case there is an emergency and these instructions should include important phone numbers, contacts and safe places. Take younger children with you if you have to run an errand, even if it takes just a few minutes. Please give your kids every opportunity to enjoy the summer days by keeping them safe.

Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Goodyear Justice Facility, 986 S. Litchfield Rd. unless indicated otherwise.

## Mayor Honored by Arizona Republic

On May 21st, the *Arizona Republic* named "Five Emerging Leaders Worth Watching" and Mayor Jim Cavanaugh was one of two leaders named from the West Valley.

Reprinted from *Arizona Republic*, May 21:

*The political footprint of the mayor of Goodyear keeps growing. He brokered a pact with other southwest Valley cities so that an eight-mile widening project for Interstate 10 could begin four years earlier. He sought a Cactus League team and landed the Cleveland Indians. He asked private colleges and universities to establish branch campuses in Goodyear, and two have agreed. Mayor Cavanaugh's vision is good for Goodyear, the southwest Valley and the region. He also is chairman of the Maricopa Association of Governments, an influential post that has a lot to say about regional issues, from transportation to air quality.*

Others honored were Michele Reagan, Scottsdale Republican legislator; Kent Paredes Scribner, superintendent of the Isaac School District in west Phoenix; Dave Richins, Mesa neighborhood activist; and David Schapira, East Valley Democratic legislator.

### Jobs with the City of Goodyear

Visit the City of Goodyear website at [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov) or call the City's 24-hour hotline, 623-932-1716, for listings. The Human Resources Office is located at City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd. Phone: 623-882-7765 or 623-882-7762. TTY: 623-932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions.

## Goodyear City Council Calendar



Brenda Holland, Frank Cavalier, Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Dick Sousa, Georgia Lord and Joanne Osborne

Monday, July 9, 2007  
Work Session following 5 p.m. CFD  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

No Council Meetings  
July 10 through August 26

Monday, August 27, 2007  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

Monday, September 10, 2007  
Work Session - 5 p.m.  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

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Evolving from the work of an Image Committee made up of 11 citizens who held public meetings to find out what residents wanted Goodyear to be, Goodyear's new slogan – **Feel the Connection** – is being used to depict Goodyear in advertising, in publications and on our website. To illustrate our "Feel the Connection" campaign, we have created several ads that depict Goodyear and its residents in different ways. We feature one of the ads in each edition of **Goodyear INFOCUS**.



## Van Buren Street Widening and Reconstruction

Construction is progressing on the widening of Van Buren Street, between Litchfield Road and Estrella Parkway. Anticipated to be complete by November 2007, this project will widen Van Buren Street from its current two lanes to five lanes from Litchfield Road to Estrella Parkway. The improvements will also include the installation of raised medians, a bicycle lane in each direction, new street lights, a bridge over Bullard Wash, and a new storm drain system.



Construction of the north bridge and north side of the roadway is underway. The south bridge, completed last month, will carry three east bound lanes of traffic and the north bridge will carry two lanes of west bound lanes once the project is completed. The installation of a traffic signal at Bullard Avenue is in progress and anticipated to be complete by end of July and be functional by September 2007, once the intersection road work is completed.



Access to adjoining businesses and residential areas will be maintained throughout the duration of this project. The City is making every effort to provide safe access routes and minimize traffic impacts for our residents and visitors. Please observe all traffic signs and reduced speed limits and take extra precaution with construction personnel and equipment.

For more information, contact Al Gonzales, Project Manager, at 623-882-7924 or Raul Varela, Engineering Director, at 623-882-7099. Visit the City's website, [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov) for monthly updates and photos. 🚧



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